















...AIRIN
KNOCKED THE
FLOWERPOT
OFF THE
OVERHEAD
PASSAGE!



SO LOOK
FOR IT
YOURSELF!

NOT MY
FAULT!

TOLD YOU
NOT TO
HIT IT SO
HARD!



YOU CAN'T
SEE DOWN
FROM THE
ROOFTOP,
SO THERE'S
NO TELLING
WHERE THE
BALL WENT.

THUS,
IF YOU HEARD
WITH CRADY
PERFECT THINGS
THE SOUND OF
A FLOWERPOT
BREAKING,
WHAT WOULD
YOU THINK?

LATER, LOGMAN
SEARCHED FOR THE
BALL AROUND THE
OVERHEAD PASSAGE,
BUT OF COURSE HE
COULDN'T FIND IT...

...BECAUSE
IT WASN'T THE
BALL THAT
KNOCKED THE
FLOWERPOT
DOWN...





TENTO AT 7:40,
DO THEY JUST
FEARED EACH
OTHER.

SHIRATORI
WAS OBSERVED
ARRIVING AT
SCHOOL AT
7:45 AM THAT
MORNING.

*Shiratori had Creative Keeper duties
at school this week*

IT
HAPPENED
OUTSIDE.



TENTO,
YOU
HADN'T
LOCKED
THE DOOR
AFTER
YOU,
RIGHT?





I SUSPECT THE
BALL ROLLED INTO HAPPY'S
BANJO AFTER CONNECTING
WITH SHIBATORI, AND HE CHARGED
IT OFF.



THE ANIMAL
SHEEP AND
HAPPY'S
DOGHOUSE
ARE NEAR
EACH OTHER.

SO I HAD
HARUTOJI
RETRIEVE
IT FOR ME
JUST NOW.

SINCE HE
APPROBABLY
ENJOYS
PLAYING WITH
BALLS.
BUT I'M
NOT SURE
ABOUT THAT.

WHICH IS ALSO
LIKELY WHY HE
WAS BARKING--
HE WAS HAPPY
A BALL HAD
COME HIS WAY.

...WAS
INSIDE
HAPPY'S
DOG-
HOUSE!

THE
MISSING
WEAPON,
THE BALL

IF MY
THEORY'S
RIGHT...

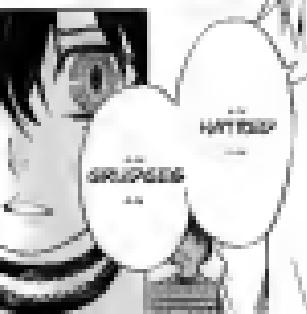
...IF
YOU LOOK
AROUND THE
DOGHOUSE,
YOU'LL FIND
THE BALL!

WHAT
TANGLLED
THINGS
... WAS UP...
NOTHING
MORE
THAN OUR
OWN
HEARTS.

...OR ANY
OTHER
PERP
NEVER
EXISTED.



FOR SURE, THE REASON
WE SAW THE BAT AS A
"SICKLY" WEAPON INSTEAD
OF SPORTS EQUIPMENT
WASN'T JUST BECAUSE
THERE WAS NO BALL.



THE
TRUE
OGRE
DWELLS
WITHIN
OUR OWN
HEARTS!

SUCH
WARPED
MINDS CAN
AT TIMES
PRODUCE
A MORE
FEARSOME
AND SAD
INCIDENT
THAN ANY
PSYCHO
KILLER.

OGRES DWELL INSIDE OUR OWN HEARTS.

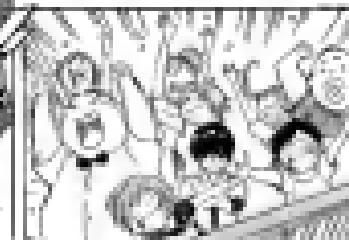
MOZUKE
...!

N-NO!
ALL OF
US ARE...

SHIRATORI'S
INJURY WAS
DUE TO THE
BALL I HIT,
RIGHT?

I'VE DONE
SOMETHING
THAT CAN'T
BE TAKEN
BACK.

BUT
IT'S MY
FAULT!





ANY NUMBER OF PENALTIES COULD HAVE BEEN LEVIED AGAINST DOLPHY AND THE OTHER BOYS FOR PLAYING BALL ON SCHOOL GROUNDS, OR AGAINST ARIAN FOR BREAKING THE FLOWERPOT.

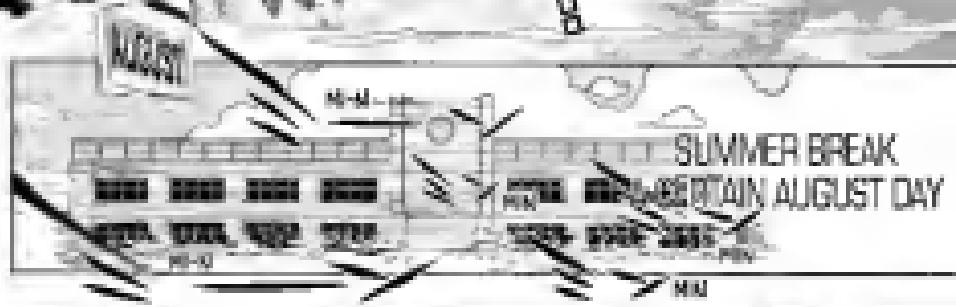
...AS AN EARLY CELEBRATION OF DOLPHY'S RECOVERY, THE JUDGE DECLARED ALL PARTIES NOT GUILTY.

...HAVING ALL RUN OUT ON THERE, HARD ON DOLPHY'S HEELS...

...EXCEPT FOR A FEW...

THOUGH THIS IS SOMETHING WE FOUND OUT LATER...







YOU'RE
RED OGRE,
AREN'T YOU?